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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION OF NOVEMBER 3, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 23313-1450 May 3, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on November 3, 2004, to which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 3, 2005, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks, and respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application. A petition for a three month extension of time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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Date: May 3, 2005

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